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## Monthly Newsletter

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# The President's Dispatch

At the October regular club meeting we had a unique postcard from the battleship USS *Texas*, BB-35, that Paul Kuehn brought to show us and talk about. That was followed by Dan Hubbard showing and discussing some very unique Lithuanian stamps with errors and some hard to find Lithuanian/Russian overprints. These stamps are rarely seen. Dan explained how few copies of these stamps were in existence.

A motion was made, seconded and passed for the club to purchase a club copy of the 2015 Scott's Classic Specialized Catalogue of Stamps and Covers. This catalogue covers the worldwide stamps from 1840-1940 in one volume. Dan discussed ways to put this catalogue in rotational circulation so that each club member would have a chance to use it.

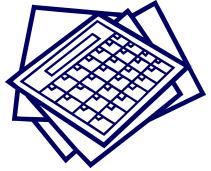
Richard Jackson gave a short discussion about the club stamps that are available both in auction and for direct purchase.

Following the briefing and discussion the meeting concluded with a special auction. This was one of our better auctions. Several members brought substantial material to auction along with the club stamp auction lots all of which covered about five tables. Most of this went home with new and happy owners.

October was a fifth Thursday month so we also had a club bourse on Thursday, October 30th. I think this was definitely our best bourse yet. There were lots of stamps and people and we all had a good time filling holes in our albums and pockets. The pictures on page 3 tell it all.



## Club Calendar



**Guests and Visitors always Welcome!**

**November 20th - 7 p.m.**  
Monthly Meeting

*See President's Dispatch for details*

### President's Dispatch Continued

Our next club meeting will be at Northeast State Community College Student Services Building on Thursday at 7 PM on November 20. ***Don't forget to put your parking pass on the dashboard of your car after you park.*** We will continue with special auctions, so, bring your items to the November club meeting. Don't forget to fill out the special auction sheets for your lots (15 maximum) in advance and mark the lots accordingly. I'm glad to report that the lots the club bought for the membership are moving well. After one auction and one bourse our treasurer reports that we have already recovered 61% of our investment.

Make plans to join us at our next bourse in 2015 and be thinking about your white elephant gift for the December meeting.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming November meeting where we can talk about and have a lot of fun with stamps. See you there!

Dick

## USA Stamp of the Month by your newsletter editor

This month this column is about a stamp series issued in 1934, Scott #740—#749. That year had been declared National Parks Year and Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes proposed to President Franklin Roosevelt that a series of stamps would be a very good way of advertising to the general public the existence of the National Parks. Pres. Roosevelt quickly approved the idea and ten parks were selected to be depicted on stamps. These were:

- Scott #740 1¢ Yosemite (California)
- Scott #741 2¢ Grand Canyon (Arizona)
- Scott #742 3¢ Mt. Ranier (Washington)
- Scott #743 4¢ Mesa Verde (Colorado)
- Scott #744 5¢ Yellowstone (Idaho, Wyoming & Montana)
- Scott #745 6¢ Crater Lake (Oregon)
- Scott #746 7¢ Acadia (Maine)
- Scott #747 8¢ Zion (Utah)
- Scott #748 9¢ Glacier (Montana)
- Scott #749 10¢ Great Smoky Mountains (N. Carolina & Tenn.)

This is a wonderful series of stamps as you can see to the right. Do you know the order of when the areas that make of these parks were established as parks? From the oldest to the youngest the order is:

- Yellowstone (Scott #744), the first National Park, est. 1872
- Yosemite (Scott #740), est. 1890
- Mt. Ranier (Scott #742), est. 1899
- Crater Lake (Scott #745), est. 1902
- Mesa Verde (Scott #743), the first cultural park, est. 1906
- Glacier (Scott #748), est. 1910
- Arcadia, (Scott #746), est. 1916
- Grand Canyon (Scott #741), est. 1919
- Zion (Scott #747), est. 1919
- Great Smoky Mountains (Scott #749), est. 1930



## Monthly Treasury Report

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 2014 \$1,134.21

Total Income for October \$204.35

New member (Mike Poe) \$15.00  
Club Stamp Sales \$189.35

Total Disbursements for Oct. \$ 0.00

**Balance on hand Oct. 31, 2014 \$1,338.56**

FYI: The auction contained 128 lots from members plus 10 from the club and 101 lots sold to ? Bidders for \$365.20 and 37 lots did not sell. Club stamps brought \$44.75 at auction plus \$14.15 direct sales at the Oct. 16th meeting plus \$140.45 at the Oct. 30th bourse for a total recovery so far of \$189.35



Unless otherwise indicated by announcement in the newsletter, Holston Stamp Club conducts its regular meeting on the 3rd Thursday each month at 7 p.m.

**Hope to C. U. there**

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. The stamps above are the perforate variety. Because of the scandal due to Postmaster General Farley purchasing and giving away imperforate, ungummed sheets of stamps during 1933 and 1934 to friends and family, the Post Office Department issued special printings of those stamps ungummed and imperforate in 1935. These are known as Farley's Follies. All of the stamps in the 1934 National Parks series were reissued in this way.



## REMINDER

### \*OUR MEETING LOCATION\*

Student Services Building at  
Northeast State Community College  
*Located near the Tri-Cities Airport*



Pictures of many club members enjoying the bourse during evening of October 30th. Look carefully and you might find yourself among all of the stamps.



## CLASSIFIED SECTION

### Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in selling.

**Charlie (Dr. Rocks) Bartlett**, is having a STAMP EXTRA SUPER SALE.

U. S. Stamps—Mint (mostly never hinged)  
U. S. Stamps—Used  
British Commonwealth (from A to Z)  
World Countries: 6 Albums (from A to Z)  
Mostly at 20% of Catalogue Value (some less)  
Plus extra 10% discount when purchase exceeds \$50.00

Isn't it easier to leisurely compare the empty spots in your album when you search my extras (so you don't buy duplicates)?

Bring your album(s) to my office, and I will bring my extra book(s) for you to search slowly.

I have a full set of Scott's 2012 catalogues to use.

Call me for an appointment at (276) 628-4136 at my office, 432 East Main Street, Suite G, Abingdon, Virginia (or I may be able to meet you at another location).

P.S. I can even loan you one or more of these extras books for a month if that will suit you better! I trust all HSC members to return books in a timely manner so others can use them.

### Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in buying

**Dan Hubbard** is always looking to purchase used stock books of all types. Contact me directly or bring them to the next meeting.

**Don Ashley** (e-mail dwa7@bvunet.net) wants the following:

Uncacheted FDCs: any quantity, preferred left side free of address. Address centered or to the right side and open flap highly desired. Please advise what you have available.

Also interested in dual FDCs for joint issues with foreign countries.

**Ed Ferber** is buying and selling government postal cards - US, Possessions, Canada, Caribbean islands, WW. Interested in mint and used, collections or individual cards, early or contemporary use. Greatest interest in illustrated advertisement and unusual usage (e.g.: rare foreign destination, auxiliary marking, special delivery). Please contact Ed at my.collie.dog@gmail.com or his 302-593-4192 cell phone.

**Ed Ferber** also desires collections or individual postal stationery items in mint, pre-printed or used condition that are unusual in some way. Seeking specialty items such as EFO, plate variety, poor inking, mis-cut, fold-over, illustrated advertisement, exposition, twice used, special delivery, postage due, auxiliary marking (missent, damaged, train late and others). Also want contemporary cards properly used in rate period with solid postmarks.

**Bob Smith** is looking for early USA stamps, mostly Scott No. 500 and earlier in both mint and used. See Bob at the meeting for want list.

Holston Stamp Club Special Auction – Lot Owner List

Please print or type.  
Owner Name \_\_\_\_\_  
, Owner Initials xx